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SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT PROCUREMENT

REF: (A) MTN GENEVA 1716, (B) EC BRUSSELS 993,
(C) EC BRUSSELS 2549

1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES DETAILED AND TIMELY REFTTEL (C).

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2. PLEASE CONVEY FOLLOWING VIEWS TO DERISBOURG.

3. WE HAVE RECORDED DERISBOURG REPORT OF MEMBER COUNTRY
PRESSURES ON HIM TO RECONVENE OECD TCWP BUT CONSIDER THAT
PROPOSAL FOR RECONVENING GROUP ON BASIS OF AGENDA CON-
SISTING OF THE CANADIAN PROPOSALS AND THE EC PAPER ON
TRANSPARENCY IS UNREALISTIC.

4. CANADIANS IN OTTAWA, GENEVA AND WASHINGTON INDICATE THAT THEY WILL FLATLY REFUSE TO HAVE ANY CONSIDERATION OF THEIR NEW PROCUREMENT PAPER IN OECD. THEY ARE ADAMANT THAT IT BE DISCUSSED SOLELY IN BILATERAL AND PLURILATERAL CONVERSATIONS MANAGED BY THEIR MTN DELEGATION.

5. EC HAS PROMISED US A "NON PAPER" RESPONSE TO OUR COMPROMISE PROPOSAL OF LAST SUMMER ON TRANSPARENCY (REFTEL

B). CONSISTENT WITH OUR CONTINUING UNDERSTANDING WITH THE COMMISSION TO DISCUSS THESE PROBLEM AREAS BILATERALLY BEFORE AIRING THEM IN A LARGER FORUM, WE CONSIDER IT UNWISE TO SCHEDULE A TCWP MEETING FOR SUCH A TOPIC BEFORE WE HAVE SEEN AND CONSIDERED THE PAPER PROMISED TO US.

6. PLEASE UNDERLINE TO DERISBOURG THAT WE STAND READY TO ASSIST IN CONVENING TCWP ON SHORT NOTICE PROVIDED USEFUL AGENDA IN SIGHT.

7. SHOULD DERISBOURG, NOTWITHSTANDING THE ABOVE, SIGNAL THAT SUBJECT OF TCWP MEETING WILL BE RAISED BY EC AT TRADE COMMITTEE MEETING NEXT WEEK, PLEASE ADVISE OECD PARIS ASAP.
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